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PLANARIZATION METHOD OF

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INTER-LAYER DIELECTRICS AND

**INTER-METAL DIELECTRICS** 

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box AF **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is responsive to the outstanding Advisory Action dated 28 October 2002. A Request for Continued Examination to enter and consider the Amendment previously filed on 16 October 2002, as well as a Request for a one (1) month Extension of Time and the necessary fee are being submitted concurrently with this paper. Please amend the above-referenced Patent Application as follows: